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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

March 28, 2023
Senator Warren Petersen
President of the Senate
1700 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: SB 1063

President Petersen,

I have vetoed SB 1063.

I've heard from dozens of local leaders about the impact this legislation would have on municipalities. From potential cuts to service—including public safety—to increased property taxes, it's clear that this bill doesn't actually eliminate costs for our residents. It simply moves those costs around.

The bill, originally unveiled as a way to mitigate inflation, does not take effect for more than two years. What's more, it does nothing for the more than 800,000 Arizonans who use SNAP and WIC benefits for their groceries, as these constituents are already exempt from the tax.

Let's work together to provide real relief for Arizonans struggling with higher costs.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

cc:

Speaker Toma
Senator Borrelli
Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House
Secretary Fontes